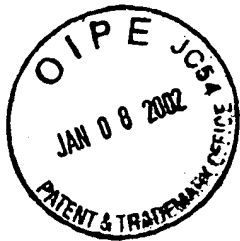


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Sir:

This is in reply to the Office Action of 12/07/01..

Reconsideration of the objection made in paragraph 1 of DETAILED ACTION is respectfully requested for the reasons which follow.

The presence of the trademark VELCRO in the abstract of the disclosure is not per se improper, as per MPEP 2173.05(u) first sentence, and applicant's use is in a manner which respects the proprietary nature of the trademark in that it is identified by capitalizing each letter of the mark followed by a generic designation as prescribed by MPEP 608.01(v) at page 600-69, left column, lines 9-13.

It is respectfully requested that the objection to the abstract of the disclosure be withdrawn.